

## Warrenton Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Warrenton, Va., December 10.—Miss Letitia Clark left for Warrenton on Thursday for Abingdon, Ala., where she will spend the winter.  
Dr. and Mrs. M. G. Douglas spent several days this week in Washington on Thursday and Friday.  
Robert Windmill and Mr. Sturgis, of New York, were in Warrenton this past week for the horse show.  
Mrs. Solon B. Woodfin, and son, of Richmond, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. James W. Walcott.  
Miss Elizabeth H. Fair, who has been in Europe and Canada for several months, is at home.  
Mrs. Lucy J. Hall, of New Haven, Conn., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Fair. Miss Fair entertained on Tuesday afternoon at a small tea.  
Miss Nina Haydon was hostess at a small entertainment on Saturday night.  
Miss Josephine Spilman, of "The Dell," will leave this week for New York.  
Mrs. L. E. Meyers and two sons, of Union Springs, N. Y., have joined Mr. Meyers for the winter, and will occupy the home of Will Martin.  
E. G. Michaels, of Richmond, was in Warrenton several days this week.  
J. T. Drawner is attending the field trials at Spray, N. C. Mr. Drawner has several entries in this meet.  
Mrs. Harry Keller, of New York, is a guest at Neptune Lodge.  
Miss Virginia Vaughn is at home after a visit of several weeks in Richmond.  
Mrs. Will Hayes spent several days in Washington this week.  
Harry Payne, of Washington, was in town for the horse show.  
T. N. Fletcher, Jr., went to Baltimore for a few days this week.  
J. O. Harriman and Miss Harriman motored to Warrenton this week from Clarke county.  
W. H. Gaines, Jr., of Rosslyn, spent Sunday in town with Colonel and Mrs. Grenville Gaines.  
Robert Frazer, who has been spending the winter in Richmond, was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. F. R. Boston this week.  
Al Conway, of Charlottesville, was in town for the week-end, and a guest of Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Maphis.  
Miss Leechman and Mr. Leechman, of Manassas, visited Miss Strother for several days this week.  
Miss Anna Strother has returned to Washington, after a stay in Warrenton.  
L. D. Passano, of Washington, spent Wednesday in Warrenton.  
Murray Hillery, of Staunton, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hillery the last of the week.  
Mrs. W. U. Parkinson and Miss Caroline Parkinson are at home after a visit to Charlottesville.

## Buena Vista Social News

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Buena Vista, Va., December 10.—On last Monday evening the pupils of the department of music at the Southern Seminary, gave one of the best musical entertainments ever given in this city. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the attendance was not very large, but those who were present showed their appreciation of the efforts of the young women by liberal applause.  
The bazaar and baby show, given by the women of the Presbyterian Church on last Monday, was a big success.  
Mrs. D. S. Bromley spent several days in Lynchburg this week.  
J. C. Taylor spent several days in Crewe this week, where he went to attend the marriage of his daughter, Dr. G. T. Diver and A. W. Robertson, who were married in Rocky Mount this week.  
Miss Alma Cochran, of Lynchburg, who has been the guest of Mrs. H. R. Mills, returned to her home Monday.  
Mrs. William Churchill, of Front Royal, is the guest of Mrs. J. L. Latta.  
Mrs. M. J. Getman left Tuesday for Paterson, N. J., where she will spend the holidays.  
Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Whitehead, formerly of Chatham, have returned from their bridal trip, and are at the Marlborough.  
Miss Isabel Brown, of Staunton, is the guest of Miss Belle Gillespie.  
Colonel W. L. Boone is spending several days in Roanoke.  
M. F. Brown spent several days in Charlottesville this week.

## Danville Social News

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Danville, Va., December 10.—Mrs. Jennie Williams Brown, of Martinsville, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. T. Paxton, this week.  
Miss Theodosia Gray is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Herbert Morlin.  
Miss Elizabeth Noel is the guest of Miss Dessele Payne, in Norfolk.  
Miss Grace Dugas, of Augusta, Ga., who has been visiting Mrs. Raymond Hall, has returned home.  
Miss Eliza Hamlin is the guest of third sister, Danville.  
Miss Virginia Dance, who has been friends in Norfolk, she attended the spending the past six months at the seashore, has returned to Danville for the winter.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lyon, of Durham, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Noel this week.  
Mrs. Pinckney Williamson, who has been visiting friends in Augusta, Ga., is now the guest of Mrs. Cabanis, in Columbia, S. C.  
Miss Hattie Bouldin and Miss Mayo Massie have returned from Martinsville.  
Miss Anne Page Friend has returned after a pleasant visit to friends in Alexandria and Richmond.  
L. C. Berkeley has returned from a visit to St. Louis.  
Mrs. Merewether Lewis and Miss

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**SWEET PICKLED FRUITS.**—Gordon & Dillworth Figs, Green Gages, Peaches, Pears; Mrs. Kidd's "Pin Money."

**FRUITS IN CORDIALS.**—Teyssonneau Jue France—Red or White Cherries in Marshchino; Figs in Marshchino; Melange; Assorted Fruits; Green Figs in juice.

**MARRONS.**—G. F. Raffetto.—In brandy. Glaces in vanilla syrup; Cocktail Marrons; Crystallized Marrons, in large and small tins.

**FRUITS IN BRANDY.**—Gordon & Dillworth—Apricots, Pineapple, Peaches, yellow; free stone; Cherries, Figs.

**PUNCH-EEZY.**—Mixed Brandied Fruits for punch.

**FRUIT JELLIES.**—Bar Le Duc, France.—Rose Leaves, Orange Blossoms, White and Red Currants, Red and White Strawberries, Gooseberries. Gordon & Dillworth—Apple, Crab Apple, Grape, Quince, Raspberry, etc.

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## Oxford Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Oxford, N. C., December 10.—One of the most enjoyable social events of the season was the reciprocity meeting, held at the residence of Dr. B. K. Hays, on Tuesday afternoon last. It was a joint meeting of Oxford's three clubs—the Civic League, The Shakespeare and Literary Clubs. The Literary Club was hostess on this occasion, and the meeting was presided over by its president, Mrs. R. L. Brown, who extended a most cordial welcome to the members of the other two clubs. Mrs. Coggeshall, as president of the Shakespeare Club, responded in well chosen words to the welcome extended, as did Mrs. Ray, for the Civic League. In the absence of its president, Mrs. A. H. Powell, Mrs. Hays and Mrs. Fleming played a duo, after which Mrs. Furman gave a sketch of Spain, which was much commented on. Mrs. John Boothe sang very delightfully two selections from Shakespeare. Mrs. Flinn presented a paper on "Romeo and Juliet," whether they were types of real or Latin lovers. Miss Mary Webb gave a beautiful piano solo, "Dream Tangles." Miss Eva Minor, who, for several years has had charge of the music department of the Normal College at Farmville, Va., sang two charming selections, after which the program was closed with a quartet, one of Liszt's Rhapsodies, by Mrs. Hays, Fleming, Furman and Miss Louie Mitchell.  
A delicious luncheon of two courses was served.  
The social life of Oxford was emphasized Wednesday afternoon by a delightful entertainment given by Mrs. J. B. Powell and Mrs. William Taylor, of Stovall, at the home of Mrs. Powell. It was an elaborate and pleasing occasion. The hall and parlors were adorned with a profusion of autumn flowers. A game of euchre was highly enjoyed, at the close of which, prizes were awarded. Mrs. Luther Stark received the first prize, a beautiful mirror, a bowl and ladle; Mrs. E. H. Crenshaw received the star prize, a handsome bon-bon dish, and Mrs. Manha Chewning, the consolation prize, a pretty little olive dish.  
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